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Bellflower Man Pleads to Sexual Assault of Young Girl

A Bellflower man has entered a no contest plea for sexually assaulting his then-girlfriend's young sister, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Christopher Peter Espinoza (dob 3/6/88) entered the plea yesterday to five counts of forcible lewd acts upon a child under age 14.

Deputy District Attorney Safaan Ahmed said the defendant was immediately sentenced to 46 years in state prison and ordered to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life.

The sexual abuse occurred between October 2017 and September 2018 when the victim was 5 and 6 years old, the prosecutor said. Police discovered the crimes when they received a tip that child porn images were being uploaded onto the internet from the defendant's home, the prosecutor added.

Case VA149808 was investigated by the Human Trafficking Bureau of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the Southern California High-Tech Task Force.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.